ALFRED RESIDENTS MORE PARK NEWS

In addition to the recent spurt of vandalism another problem has appeared that has considerably greater consequences.

The company that mows the park and athletic fields recently found discarded hypodermic needles. They were found over on the courts and in the parking lot. Thankfully, they have experience with this problem and discarded them properly. This is not a new thing to companies that service municipal and commercial properties.

We had planned on refilling the sand box, but weather has been holding us up. We were scheduled to do it this coming week, but that is not going happen.

The sandbox will be removed. It has been flagged off with caution tape until then. We cannot take the risk a child gets stuck by a needle someone threw in the sand box. It's that simple.

On the other issue of vandalism we have made some progress. Additionally, we will be looking at various camera and security options, but we ask you to report anything you see.

We regret any disappointment this causes the little ones, but we have no choice.

Thanks for your time, understanding and cooperation.

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